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IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An arrangement structure of a <u>vehicle</u> door open-close device to automatically open and close a vehicle door by means of a driving force comprising:

a roof member provided on a door-opening area for constituting a ceiling member of a vehicle body;

a side member provided on the door-opening area for constituting a side portion of the vehicle body; and

a connecting part between the roof member and the side member;

a gazette strengthening member provided on the door-opening area and located below the connecting part between the roof member and the side member and is bridged between the roof member and the side member across the connecting part;

wherein said vehicle door open-close device is arranged in a space surrounded by said roof member, said side member, and said gazette strengthening member.

2. (Currently amended) An arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim 1, wherein;

said roof member including an outside roof member and an inside roof member;

said side member including an outside side member and an inside side member; and

said gazette strengthening member is bridged between said inside roof member and said inside side member;

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wherein said inside roof member and said inside side member are connected to a <u>the</u> connecting part in which said outside roof member and said outside side member are connected thereto.

- 3. (Original) The arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim 2, wherein a roof reinforced member provided on said roof member and a side reinforced member provided on said side member are connected to said connecting part.
- 4. (Original) The arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim 2, wherein

an attaching part of said inside side member is attached to an attaching reinforcement member, and said attaching reinforcement member is connected to said connecting part.

5. (Previously presented) The arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim 3, wherein

an attaching part of said inside side member is provided with an attaching reinforcement member, and said attaching reinforcement member is connected to said connection part.

6. (Previously presented) The arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim 3, wherein

said roof reinforcement member is positioned between said outside roof member and said inside roof member, and

said side reinforced member is positioned between said outside member and said inside side member.

7. (Currently amended) The arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim 1, wherein

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said gazette strengthening member is formed of a single member.

8. (Currently amended) The arrangement structure of a vehicle door open-close device according to claim1, wherein

said gazette strengthening member is a diagonal beam connecting the roof member and the side member with each other.